

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1004

By Todd

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Angelo M. Cobrasci for meritorious service to the citizens of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Angelo M. Cobrasci, who has dedicated himself to the service of his fellow citizens through a career of political activism; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cobrasci, a resident of Shelby County, first commenced his career in politics as a recruiter for the National Rifle Association, in which capacity he labored on behalf of the defense of second amendment rights and the education of his peers on the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, a student of this great Nation's founding documents, Angelo Cobrasci founded the Defenders of Freedom, a conservative activist group, and *The Midsouth Patriot*, a publication that strives to deliver truthful news reports in a sober manner devoid of the extravagance that he believes characterizes many media outlets; and

WHEREAS, a proud republican who believes in constitutional principles over party politics, Mr. Cobrasci has assisted in the campaigns and elections of many local, state, and federal officials. In evidence of his tremendous skill and unflagging commitment, eighty-seven percent of the campaigns for which he worked have won; and

WHEREAS, so staunch a supporter of his beliefs that some have christened him a "political pit bull," Angelo Cobrasci demonstrated unswerving support of the political process when he once stumped and dispersed candidates' signs despite suffering from an injury that left him in a neck brace; and

WHEREAS, his assiduous efforts have earned him much recognition, including the Shelby County Conservative Republican Award at Lincoln Day, the Businessman of the Year Award from the Republican National Committee, and countless certificates of recognition from the elected officials of Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cobrasci epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Angelo Cobrasci is perhaps most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Betty Cobrasci; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Mr. Cobrasci for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Angelo M. Cobrasci for his meritorious service to the good people of Tennessee through his efforts in support of the democratic process, as we wish him every continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.